

# Proposed Assessment for Fresh Water Data

Comparing Segments between  
The Current 2012 &  
Proposed 2015 Assessment



- The following slides detail how you can use the map viewer tool to compare the spatial extent of current 2012 Assessment segments with the Proposed 2015 segments.
- For more complete instructions on using the search and map tools, go to:  
<http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/303d/freshwtrassessmnt/AssessmentInstructions-basic.pdf>

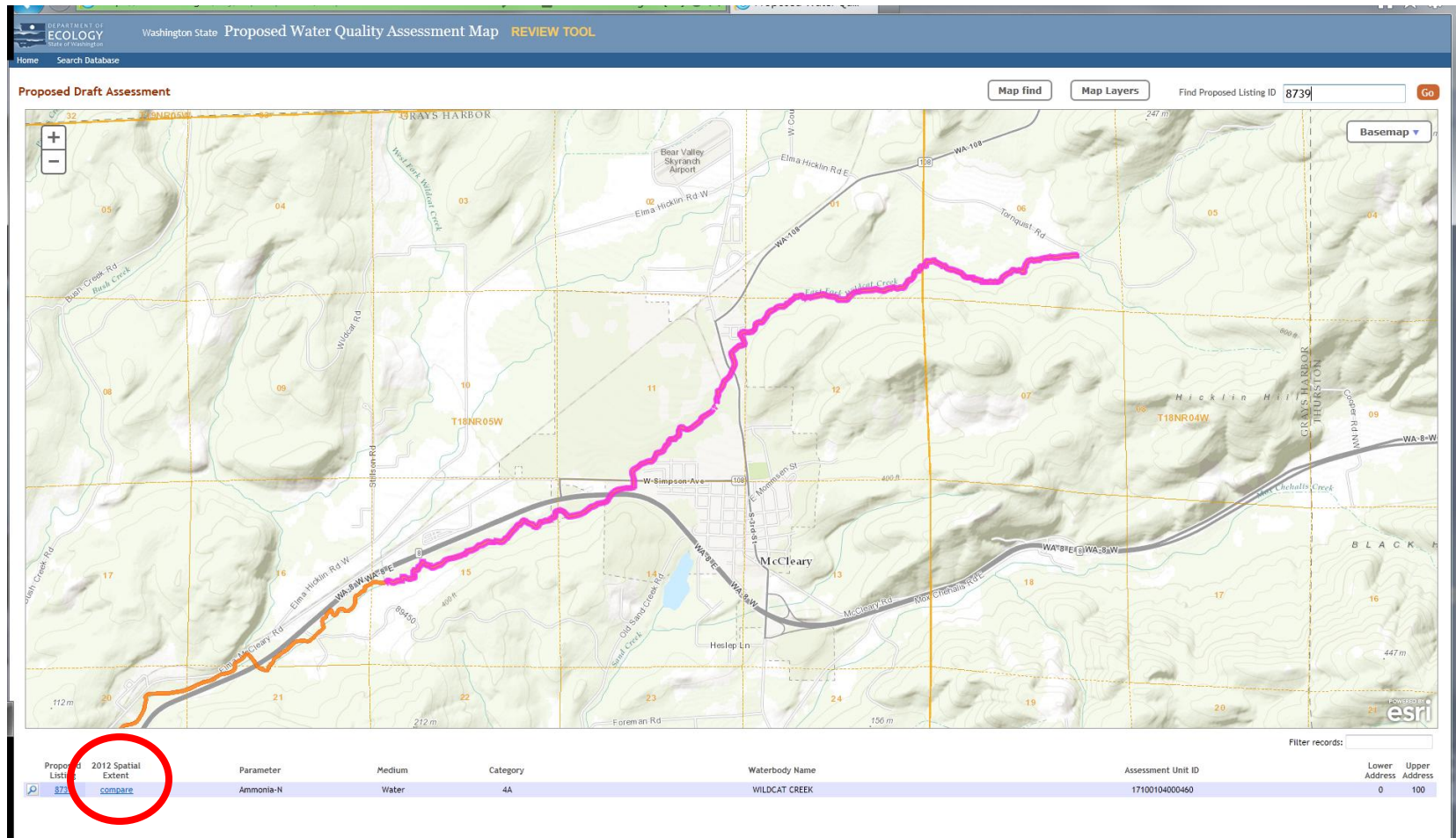
REMINDER! These instructions are for the draft Assessment. To view the current approved 2012 Assessment, go to:  
<http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/303>

## Comparing the Spatial Extent of Current Listings (on the 2012 Assessment) to Proposed Listings

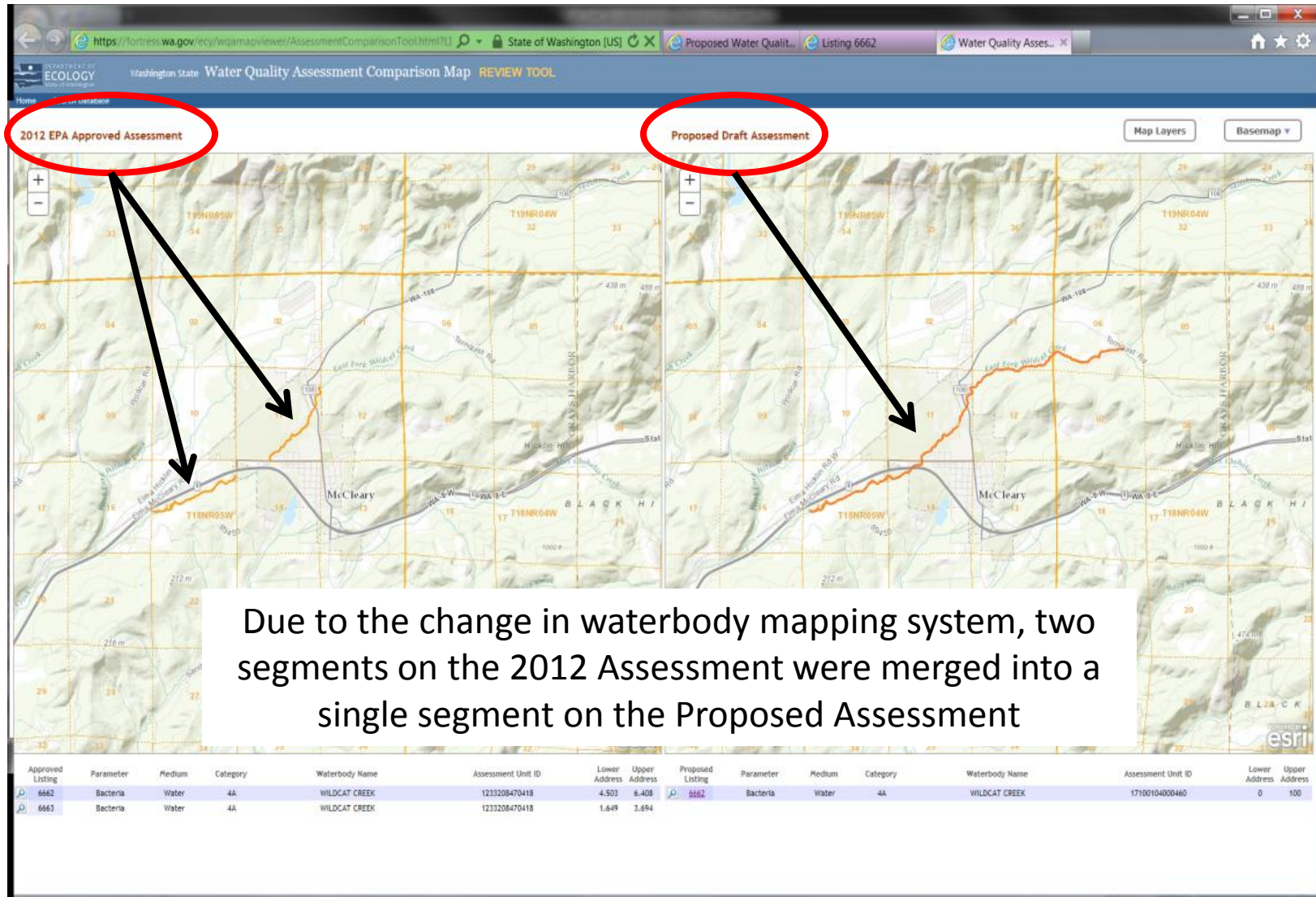
- For each Listing summary that is displayed at the bottom of the Map Viewer page, there is a link that will allow a comparison of the spatial extent of the proposed segment to the spatial extent of the same Listing on the approved 2012 Assessment. The Link is located in the column titled “2012 Spatial Extent”.
- Clicking on this link will bring up synchronized side-by-side maps that display the spatial extent of the Listing in the Proposed Assessment **on the right**, and the spatial extent of the same Listing in the Current (2012) Assessment **on the left**.

The following screenshots shows the “2012 Spatial Extent” link and the side-by-side map view that results from clickign on the link.

# Link to Compare 2012 Spatial Extent with Proposed Spatial Extent



# Compare 2012 Spatial Extent with Proposed Spatial Extent- Side by Side Maps



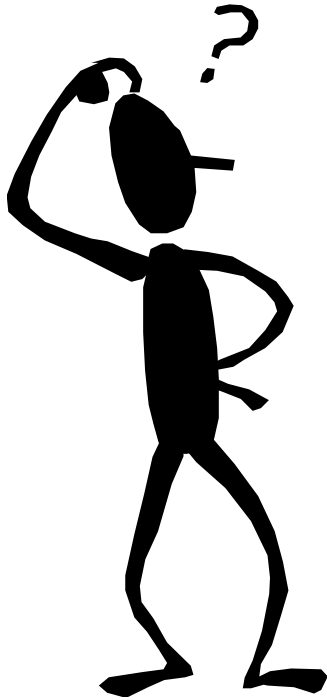
Due to the change in waterbody mapping system, two segments on the 2012 Assessment were merged into a single segment on the Proposed Assessment

# Important Note about Compare Spatial Extent Tool

- The side by side map viewer is **only** intended to provide a comparison of the spatial extent of Assessment Units between the Current and Proposed Assessments.
- This map viewer function **does not** provide information about why an Impairment Category has changed for a Listing between the Current and Proposed Assessments. **To determine the reason(s) for a category change for any given parameter, examine the basis statement and remarks in the associated listing.**
- It is **important to note** that the proposed Category could have changed from the previous Assessment for the following reasons:
  - The change in segment system. For example splitting or merging of 2012 segments to the new water-based system segment.
  - New data results in a change in Category.
  - Old data that was examined according to updated water quality standards or the revised listing policy.

# Questions?

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